

Meeting of the  
Aquinnah Select Board  
November 9 and  
November 16, 2021

## **Minutes**

*These meetings were held by Zoom video conference*

Meeting of November 9 was called to order by Chairman Haley, following the call to order the Board held a moment of silence in memory of June Manning's passing. At the suggestion of the Town Administrator the meeting was postponed by unanimous vote to November 16 at 4:30 p.m.

On November 16, 2021 the meeting was called to order by Chairman Haley following a delay to allow Julie Vanderhoop to join the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

Attending: Julianne Vanderhoop, Gary Haley, Tom Murphy, Karen Salvatore, Chief Randhi Belain, Jeffrey Madison (Town Administrator).

### **Minutes**

(Deferred consideration of the October 19, 2021 minutes)

#### **Town Projects Committee (Accepted the report as presented)**

Karen Salvatore gave an update on Town Project Committee work ongoing with consultants (Atlantic Construction and ICON Architects) on design of new comfort facilities at Aquinnah Circle and improvements at Town Hall. Karen explained that the consultants have completed the programmatic phase are now working on a design schematic that is within acceptable parameters for Aquinnah. She indicated that the Committee is very satisfied with both project consultants.

#### **American Indian Heritage Month & Cranberry Day (Approved designation of both events)**

Tom Murphy explained that this Town, perhaps more than any other, should acknowledge American Indian Heritage month. There was a discussion of designation of Cranberry Day (Second Tuesday of October each year) as an official town holiday. The Board voted unanimously in favor of both suggestions. Town Administrator suggested that the personnel by-law be amended to reflect the Board's action.

#### **Salary of Lighthouse Keeper & Assistant (voted Keeper Salary of \$9600 and Assistant \$3200 per year)**

Town Administrator read a memo from Sibel Suman, Town Treasurer, stating that \$12,800.00 was appropriated by the Town Meeting for salary for the Lighthouse Keeper. Having previously received a recommendation from the Lighthouse Committee that the salary be split  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  between the Keeper and Assistant Julie made a motion to accept the Lighthouse Committee recommendation, Tom seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in favor.

#### **Dukes County Regional Housing Authority (No action taken)**

David Vigneault, Executive Director of the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority spoke to the Board to request a replacement for Richard Skidmore who had recently resigned as a Director on their Board. Mr. Vigneault informed the Board that the Director from Aquinnah is a key position and the importance of maintaining full representation on the Board. The Select Board took no action on the request but suggested that the Administrator make efforts to find someone.

All-Island School Committee Negotiations Sub-Committee

(Voted to nominate Jim Newman)

After discussion Tom Murphy made a motion to nominate Jim Newman to serve as Aquinnah representative on the Committee. Julie seconded the motion and the vote was approved unanimously.

Town Parking Committee

(Appointed Paul Manning, Berta Welch, Jim Newman and Kyle Colter)

Skiff/Dinghy removal deadline

(No action taken)

Harbormaster, Chip Vanderhoop, did not attend the meeting. Town Administrator informed the Board that most of the dinghies had been removed...at least from the Red Beach side of the Pond.

Police Collective Bargaining Agreement

(Agreed to meet in Executive Session 1:00 p.m. on November 23, 2021 to discuss revised contract)

Meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m.